GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2634
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2001
HANDING OVER OF JINNAH HOUSE
MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT;PRAKASH V. PATIL

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan has requested India to hand over the Jinnah House in Mumbai for opening of a Consulate Office;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) whether objections have been raised to the said proposal;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the stage at which the matter stands at present?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. In the past, Pakistan Government had requested for Jinnah House for use as residence of its Consul General in Mumbai.

(d) to (e) The Government of India, after carefully considering the request had conveyed its inability to accede to its request to the Government of Pakistan.